

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-8 (canceled)

9. (previously presented) A method for providing a temporary wireless service connection to one or more users in a wireless local area network, comprising:

receiving a request for temporary wireless service for a predetermined time interval from a user;

establishing a temporary wireless service connection for the user, wherein a dynamic host configuration mechanism apportions an IP address to the user for the predetermined time interval, and terminates the connection when the predetermined time interval expires;

determining a usage amount for the temporary wireless service connection for the user, the usage amount being based at least in part on the number of minutes in the predetermined time interval; and

charging the user for the usage amount for the temporary wireless service connection.

10. (original) The method of claim 9, wherein the user is charged for the usage amount based on the number of minutes the user was provided with the temporary wireless service connection.

11. (previously presented) The method of claim 9, wherein the usage amount is determined at least in part by the amount of data transferred by the user.

12. (canceled)

13. (original) The method of claim 9, wherein the step of establishing a temporary wireless service connection for the user includes receiving payment information from the user.

14. (original) The method of claim 13, wherein the step of establishing a temporary wireless service connection for the user includes verifying the payment information received from the user.

15. (original) The method of claim 9, wherein the temporary wireless service connection is terminated as requested by the user.

16. (original) The method of claim 9, wherein charging the user for the usage amount for the temporary wireless service connection includes receiving a payment from the user.

17-24 (canceled)